

W. P. WALTON.

## Call for Committee Meeting.

The members of the democratic county committee are urgently requested to meet at my office in Stanford, Saturday, July 13th, at 2 o'clock to consider matters of great importance to the party.

T. D. NEWLAND, Ch'n.

MADISON COUNTY usually asks for all in sight and gets it too. But at the Senatorial Convention at Mt. Vernon she was as modest as a maid of 16 and asked for nothing, but got there all the same in good shape. The district is composed of the counties of Madison, Estill and Rockcastle and Madison having held the position for three years either by democratic or republican, said to the other counties that they must settle the nomination themselves. Estill put up a man and so did Rockcastle, the latter in the person of Tom Jim Ballard. Madison refused to vote between them, but assured both that no matter which was agreed upon she would give the nominee her warmest support. There was a conference then between the delegates from Estill and Rockcastle and after a full and fair discussion of the situation, they agreed to withdraw their candidates and present the name of Hon. A. T. Chenault, of Madison, for the nomination. It was done and Mr. Chenault was made the nominee in less time than it takes to tell it. He accepted, the other candidates acquiesced and promised him a cordial support and the convention adjourned in the best of humor, resolved to elect Mr. Chenault, although the district went republican last time by a good majority. The nominee is an excellent man and is fully equipped for legislative work, by having served in the last general assembly from Madison with credit to himself and county.

THE republicans have at last nominated a man for treasurer who will run—Hon. D. G. Colson, of Bell, the present member of the legislature from that county. He is about 27 years of age and is quite a good lawyer with some abilities as an orator. During the last session of the legislature he tried to make some reputation as a filibuster and succeeded fairly well. While clerk in one of the departments at Washington he wore off the wirey edge of the mountaineer and now looks more like a city dude than a Bell county warrior. He has made some \$50,000 out of the rise in lands and it is possible that this acquisition of filthy lucre had much to do with his nomination.

HIGHLY complimentary resolutions, adopted by the revenue officials and distillers with regard to the excellent management of the collector's office by Col. T. S. Bronston, appear in this issue. They are moreover fully deserved, for Col. Bronston has made a most capable and courteous officer and retires with the respect of all who have had dealings with him. His office was in capital shape for turning over to his successor, who finds the accounts balanced to a cent and everything easy to comprehend.

WE can shake with Bro. McCarty, of the Jessamine Journal, on this proposition: "The Journal does not rejoice over the defeat of prohibition in States or counties where the question comes up upon its merits. It is the friend and advocate of temperance, and is for any sensible, practical measure for the spread of temperance principles. But where the cause of temperance is allied with Woman's Rights and accompanied by efforts to break down the democratic party, this paper is not for it."

GEN. FRY seems to be playing in bad luck this season. Young Mr. McKee beat him for city attorney of Danville recently and Colson did him up for State treasurer. Either Landrum or Boreing will do the same for him in the pension agency, but even then he will not be a subject for pity. He can live like a lord on the \$100 a month he gets from the government for being deaf and snap his finger in derision at the youngsters who have distanced him.

THE examining trial of Will Showers for the murder of his young wife, at Elizabethtown, resulted in his being held in \$2,500 bail to answer to the grand jury. The proof showed that he is responsible for her death, if not by actual murder, by driving her to suicide by his drunken conduct, more likely by the former method.

WINCHESTER voted 105 majority against water works Friday. If this means that she is going to give the press boys something better than water next year, it is all right so far as we are concerned, but it looks like a very short-sighted policy for a growing town that claims a boom.

JOHN W. YERKES presided over the republican committee at Lexington with the ease and dignity of a veteran. It is a pity such a fine fellow trains with such a crowd.

—Dr. Hourigan, who murdered his brother-in-law at Riley's because he dunned him for a \$4 store account, was given a life sentence at Campbellsville, to which place the case had been taken from Marion county.

THE prize fight between Sullivan and Kilrain, set for yesterday morning, at a point within 200 miles of New Orleans, has created even more excitement than the noted Heenan and Sayres fight some 30 years ago. The newspapers are filled with the movements of the human animals, who were to beat each other out of all semblance to mankind and every detail of the meet is read with interest even by those who oppose the brutal exhibition. Bets were strong on Sullivan, who is described as the most magnificently developed human animal on earth. His powers of endurance are demonstrated by the fact that he skips a rope a thousand consecutive times without any apparent fatigue, and that he tosses a 25-pound ball 40 minutes without stopping. Kilrain is the more gentlemanly of the two and relies as much on generalship as he does on muscle. The brutish character of Sullivan is shown in the following choice outburst, when he was told that Kilrain said he was sure to whip him: "That stiff whip me! Why, he won't know he is in it. I hate him and his whole gang, and I will do my best to kill him. He challenged me when I had a broken arm. He challenged me again when I had the fever. Again, the cur flaunted his dirty shirt in my face when I was on crutches. I have it in for him and I will knock his d—d dirty head off as soon as we get in the ring."

## Sullivan Gets There.

Special Dispatch to the Interior Journal.  
LOUISVILLE, July 8, 3 P. M.—Fight began at 9:30 this morning and lasted till 1:10, Sullivan winning in the 72d round.  
E. G. LOGAN.

THE most heartless scoundrel that the last few days have developed is William Hale, of Daviess county. After seducing a beautiful young girl under promise of marriage, he refused to stand to his agreement and when the poor thing begged him piteously to save her from the disgrace of illegitimate motherhood, he coolly told her the best plan was to poison herself, at the same time procuring and handing her a nickel's worth of strychnine, which she took in despair. A doctor arrived in time to save her life and Hale at once disappeared. If he were hunted down and made to ornament a limb of a tree, his punishment would even then be far less than his crime deserves.

AT Mt. Salem Saturday Mr. Warren asked Bro. Montgomery the direct question, "How will you vote for U. S. Senator if elected?" "For a prohibitionist first, last and all the time, and if I can't get one to vote for, will vote for the man who comes nearest to filling the bill." We have no idea that Bro. M. will ever have the privilege of casting a vote for Senator, but his answer should be enough to bring every democrat, who has been thinking of voting for him, to his senses. The so-called prohibition party is in as direct opposition to the democratic party as the republican party is and the vote for one is as bad as the other.

WE rise to make the *amicable honorable* to Tom Jim Ballard, of Rockcastle. Judging him alone from his letter published in a Richmond paper, which looked very much like a stab and a threat at the party, we were inclined to think he needed a little discipline, but he evidently did not mean all he said, for he not only acquiesced in the nomination of Hon. A. T. Chenault for Senator, but promised him his cordial support in the canvass. There are no lies on Tom Jim. He's all right.

LOOPER TANNER has been figuring on the annual cost of the service pension proposed by the Ohio republican platform and finds that it foots up \$720,000,000. He therefore thinks it is too soon to propose it for a law, but as he has been an advocate of the monster steal, he is at a loss to know how he shall get out of recommending it to Congress. Die out of it, old fellow, die out of it if no other way.

THE Reform preachers in this county, or at least several of them, seem disposed to give up their godly calling to wallow in the mud and mire of politics. Well, there is no accounting for tastes, but we are glad to observe that the tastes of the preachers of the other denominations do not run that way.

WE knew that Emmett Logan was writing the headlines of the Louisville Times now, but had no idea he had to set them too. Saturday's paper, though, shows that he does, and that he dishes into the hell box at random for his type. The work was fearfully and wonderfully done.

MEN should not mix their politics and religion. It has the effect of spoiling both and of making poor citizens a worse christian.

THE Kentucky Legislature, composed almost entirely of democrats, passed the following law, May 17th, 1886. It is about as good a prohibition enactment as one could wish. See General Statutes, page 1,047.

All licenses to sell by retail, spirituous, vinous or malt liquors, shall be granted by the county court, but said court shall not grant a license to sell spirituous, vinous or malt liquors until ten days' notice shall be given by posting a written or printed notice at the door of the court-house, and at least four public places in the neighborhood where the liquor is to be sold; and if the majority of the legal voters in the neighborhood shall protest against the application, it shall be refused. The county court in each instance shall determine what constitutes the neighborhood.

## The Race For the Legislature.

ONE issue between Messrs. Warren and Montgomery seems now too clear for dispute. The latter maintains that if a law has once been adopted and he approves it, there shall never, under any altered state of case or of public opinion, be any revision or repeal of that law; in plain words that a majority ought not to rule. The former holds that the people are sovereign and that the voice of a majority, whether right or wrong, whether speaking wisely or foolishly, is and must be the law. The question of prohibition is not at all in issue except in so far as Mr. Warren contends that it should be left to the people concerned, while Mr. Montgomery is of the opinion that it should be left to him. That this is a clear-cut and absolutely fair statement of their respective positions has been demonstrated both in these columns and by their own utterances on the stump, and so clearly that he who doubts, disputes or misrepresents it in the future, proclaims himself to be deficient either in candor or in intelligence.

But there are other issues involved of which the people should not lose sight. Mr. Montgomery is not an independent candidate running for office upon a moral question. He belongs to a distinct and aggressive political party which has certain well-defined and publicly announced purposes in view. He is not only a member of this party, but he is its officially accredited champion, standing on its platform of principles, believing in them and pledged to carry them into effect. There is something in this meat-bag besides the prohibition mouse. May 31, 1888, the National Convention of this party, in the 6th pluck of its platform proclaimed:

"That the right of suffrage rests on no mere accident of race, color, sex or nationality, and that where, from any cause, it has been withheld from citizens who are of suitable age and mentally and morally qualified for the exercise of an intelligent ballot, it should be restored by the people through the LEGISLATURES of the several States on such conditions as they may deem wise."

This was reaffirmed at the State Convention at Louisville, and it is a part of that party's faith and purpose to-day, as we challenge their candidate to deny. It means Woman's Suffrage, whether she wants it or not; it means an educational qualification for the ballot. These are startling doctrines in this latitude. We had heard, heretofore, that these and similar isms are being preached by sundry unfrocked priests and unsexed women of New England, but never dreamed of their obtaining foothold or consideration in Kentucky. Since, however, they seem, in some small degree, to have done so, let's take a moment's look at them.

It is proposed in the first place by Mr. Montgomery and his party, not merely to confer on woman the right to vote, but to impose upon her the duty to do so, for it is even more a duty than a right, and not only that, but to impose upon her the correlative duty to hold office. Omitting other considerations, it ought to be sufficient to say that the women of Kentucky don't want to vote. If any one doubts it let him ask his wife, mother or sister. Even if they did want to do so, it would be the unwise wish formed by their sex since Eve craved the apple. Woman, as it is, and in her own appropriate sphere—the tranquil, tender, the beautiful domain of home—is an enthroned and undisputed queen. Here, in this widest and noblest arena of all the world, her power is absolute, her sway resistless. She does not make laws, but she makes honest men and pure women. She does not build party platforms to regulate the State, but she builds an altar at every hearthstone and ministers at it, the gracious priestess of every virtue which makes the State possible. From this pedestal, where she has been placed of her own choice and by the love and loyalty of man, the prohibition party would hurl her into the mephitic abyss of practical politics and make of her—a voter! Renounce a throne, my dear madam, they say, in order that you may be elected constable or even, perchance, a justice of the peace. The Christian view of marriage, as taught in Holy Writ, that it is a sacrament, that man and wife are one, that the wife shall be subject to her husband, is entirely obsolete now, and only held by "whisky men" and friends of the saloon. The wife, under our new dispensation, is simply the equal business partner of her husband in a breeding establishment, and may get the better of him if she can. Assert your rights, my sister; come to the ward caucus to be instructed in them. The only sure test and proof of your independence will be that you differ from your husband. Argue with him, rail at him, set the children against him, convince or bully him if you can; if you can't, arm your colored cook to the polls and doubly kill his vote. How do the men and women of this staid and conservative old country like the prospect?

The other proposition, to restrict suffrage to those who have a certain amount of text-book learning—for that is the meaning of an educational qualification—is scarcely less crazy and even more impracticable. Indeed this idea, until taken up by the new party, was ages ago abandoned by all created beings except a few venerable school-marks, who over their tea, in secluded villages were wont to discuss this point and abuse their neighbors. In a government based on the idea that "all men are free and

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equal," what conceivable right has the more or less educated A. to make laws for the more or less uneducated B? The sole functions of government, as all men but political parsons know, is to protect the three natural rights of life, liberty and property. One needn't be a college graduate, nor even know how to read, in order to appreciate the value of these rights nor to think clearly and justly on the best methods of preserving them. Untutored common sense, sharpened by self-interest, gives to the illiterate as keen, and often a keener, insight into these matters, than is possessed by the learned doctrinaire. In truth, manhood suffrage, or the right of every man, no matter what his condition, to have an equal voice in the legislation which is to govern him, is the only possible policy in a popular government, and it is as firmly imbedded in American institutions as the sun in the sky.

Those lovely young ladies, Misses Emma and Helen Sandley, of whom Stanford is justly proud, left yesterday for Wyoming. If their visit was half as enjoyable to them as it proved to their friends, they were amply repaid for the long journey in making it. Tensions, as are the roots of her mountain ranges in the earth. Where is the line to be drawn? As no man can know it all, and as it would be after all only a question of comparative ignorance, the line could be drawn with equal propriety at "baker" or at the differential calculus. If the common school scholar may be excluded, why not exclude also the graduates of the universities and of the professions, for there are surely even more learned men than they. Why not indeed, for greater simplicity, let only one man—say the finest Greek scholar or the greatest chess player—make laws for all the rest of us? What an inspiring thought it is that possibly some day, under the guidance of our new Gamaliel, we may see all the people of Lincoln in a line spelling or parsing each other down to determine who shall vote, that is if the common school standard be adopted, or if the classical standard be preferred, that we may behold our hardy yeomanry perspiring under the stern catechism of an Examining Board—consisting, it may be, of Elders Montgomery and Ballou—touching their understanding of the Greek particle and the true mode of construing *haptidun*.

The cold-water orators are fond of impassioned apostrophes to home and country. We deliberately affirm that no surer means of polluting and destroying both could be devised by the enemy of mankind than these two propositions embodied in a single resolution of their own platform. We charge that Mr. Montgomery is a staunch believer in them. We charge that if he should go to the legislature, it would be his bounden duty as an honest man to introduce and press to their passage two bills at least, one setting up an educational qualification for the ballot, the other forcing upon the women, black and white, the deadly gift of suffrage. How many will there be, even under rigorous church pressure, who will barter their understanding birthright of glory for this devil's broth of cistern water, irreligion and lunacy?

In the meantime we feel to remark, the democratic Sanjak-Sheriff has loosed its folds to the upper air, the brave old battle-flag of the people, which has led them in every fight for a century, and which, though often meeting disaster, has never known disgrace or surrender. Beneath it, and in exact alignment with it stands our gallant leader, made so by the unsolicited and unanimous choice of the party, an able, honest and courageous man, a Christian without cant and a gentleman without stain. Gentlemen of the democratic party in Lincoln, can you hesitate a moment as to where duty and loyalty call you?

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